

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:      Ralf Mauritz et al.  
Serial No:                      10/802,249  
Filed:                              March 17, 2004  
For:                                Quality control method for manufacturing biopolymer  
   arrays  
Art Unit:                        1639  
Examiner:                       Sue Xu Liu

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.111**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

August 26, 2008

Dear Sir:

This reply is in response to the Official Action mailed on May 15, 2008 which has a shortened statutory period for response of three months that expired on August 15, 2008.

Applicants herewith request a 1-month extension of time for response.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with this Amendment and Response to Deposit Account No. 02-2958.